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## **Title of the Invention**

### **Mat Covering**

My invention is called a Mat Covering and hereby will be referred to as a Mat Covering throughout the course of this document.

The Mat Covering is a mat covering that has been created out of fabric. The fabric used in constructing the Mat Covering can be in various colors and patterns. The Mat Covering is used to cover a mat in a variety of ways and manners as illustrated in the drawings and photographs enclosed.

Mat Covering is used to keep a person from lying on plastic and / or vinyl materials that mats, especially floor mats, are made of. Mat Covering is a washable companion to a person's floor mat. A Mat Covering is designed to stay on the mat until removed. Mat Covering does not move off the mat like other coverings. It is designed to stay on the mat like a companion or "mate" while the person sleeps, rests, or plays.

Mat Covering offers great comfort to the user as Mat Covering keeps the mat cool in the summer when one tends to sweat on a mat, and Mat Covering keeps the user warm in the winter when one tends to feel cold on a cold vinyl mat.

The Mat Covering is approximately 45 inches long and 22 inches wide, but not limited to that size. A Mat Covering is designed to fit the size of any mat to offer a comforting alternative to a user other than lying directly on the mat.



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## **Background of the invention**

My invention is called a Mat Covering and hereby will be referred to as a Mat Covering. It covers a mat so that a person does not have to lie directly on a mat.

Mat Covering offers a person an alternative to lying directly on vinyl or plastic which is what most mats are made of.

### **Mat Covering is a one-piece design.**

**Category** - We will manufacture the Mat Covering with fabric in the United States of America.

**Field of Invention** - Domestic -- Child Care

**Before Mat Covering was invented**, parents and day care workers had to cover mats with towels or blankets, if anything at all, and the towels nor the blankets stayed on the mat while the child slept. The child would always inadvertently end up sweating and consequently, with his face and body stuck to the mat. The vinyl and plastic tend to make the face and skin irritable when pressed against it. Mat Covering eliminates that problem by allowing the person to rest his face comfortably against the soft, washable fabric that is the invention of Mat Covering.

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## **Brief summary of the invention**

My invention is called a Mat Covering and hereby will be referred to as a Mat Covering.

### **Mat Covering is a one-piece design.**

The Mat Covering solves the existing problem of people, normally children, lying on a plastic and / or vinyl mat during nap time in nursery schools, grammar schools, and elsewhere. A Mat Covering can be laundered and reused to maintain a sanitary sleep environment for the person sleeping or resting on it.

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## **Detailed Description of the Invention (11 drawings)**

### **Mat Covering is a one-piece design.**

**Drawing of Figure 1 and Figure 1-B** have straight full-sized front (approximately 45 inches long and 22 inches wide) but can be enlarged or made smaller depending upon the size of the mat that it is covering. Mat Coverings are not limited to any particular size of mat. Mat Coverings are coverings for mats. The back on drawing #1 has three strips of fabric used as crossbars to keep the Mat Covering in place while the mat is inside.

The Mat Covering is a one-piece design.

The mat fits between the front of the Mat Covering and the three straps on the back of the Mat Covering. There is a small hem sewn all around the four sides of the Mat Covering, but drawing #1 remains open and seamless.

**Drawing of Figure 2 and Figure 2-B** of the Mat Covering is constructed the same on the front as well as the back of the invention. It is approximately 45 inches long and 22 inches wide, but can be enlarged or made smaller depending upon the size of the mat that it is covering. Mat Coverings are not limited to any particular size of mat. Mat Coverings are coverings for mats.

The opening on the Mat Covering in Figure 2 is left open at the top after insertion. There is a hem sewn at the top of the Mat Covering. The sides and the bottom of the Mat Covering are sewn closed.

**Drawing of Figure 3 and Figure 3-B** of the Mat Covering is constructed with the front of the design being approximately 45 inches long and 22 inches wide, but the back of the Mat Covering is constructed with two or three strips of elastic to keep the mat enclosed inside the Mat Covering. Figure 3 has a small

hem sewn all around the four sides of the Mat Covering, but figure #3 remains open and seamless.

**Drawing of Figure 4 and Figure 4-B** of the Mat Covering is constructed the same on the front as well as the back of the invention. It is approximately 45 inches long and 22 inches wide, but can be enlarged or made smaller depending upon the size of the mat that it is covering. Mat Coverings are not limited to any particular size of mat. Mat Coverings are coverings for mats.

The opening on the Mat Covering in drawing #4 is closed at the top with a button after insertion of the mat inside the invention. The button and buttonhole helps keep the mat inside.

**Drawing of Figure 5 and Figure 5-B** of the Mat Covering is constructed the same on the front as well as the back of the invention. It is approximately 45 inches long and 22 inches wide, but can be enlarged or made smaller depending upon the size of the mat that it is covering. Mat Coverings are not limited to any particular size of mat. Mat Coverings are coverings for mats.

The opening on the Mat Covering in drawing #5 is closed at the top after insertion of the mat with a strip of Velcro to help keep the mat enclosed inside the Mat Covering.

**Drawing of Figure 6 and Figure 6-B** of the Mat Covering is constructed the same on the front as well as the back of the invention. It is approximately 45 inches long and 22 inches wide, but can be enlarged or made smaller depending upon the size of the mat that it is covering. Mat Coverings are not limited to any particular size of mat. Mat Coverings are coverings for mats.

The opening on the Mat Covering in drawing #6 is closed at the top after insertion of the mat with snaps to help keep the mat enclosed inside the Mat Covering.

**Drawing of Figure 12 and Figure 12-B** of the Mat Covering is constructed the same on the front as well as the back of the invention. It is approximately 45 inches long and 22 inches wide, but can be enlarged or made smaller depending upon the size of the mat that it is covering. Mat Coverings are not limited to any particular size of mat. Mat Coverings are coverings for mats.

The opening on the Mat Covering in drawing #12 is closed at the top with a drawstring in a casing to help keep the mat enclosed inside the Mat Covering.

**Drawing of Figure 13 and Figure 13-B** of the Mat Covering is constructed the same on the front as well as the back of the invention. It is approximately 45 inches long and 22 inches wide, but can be enlarged or made smaller depending

upon the size of the mat that it is covering. Mat Coverings are not limited to any particular size of mat. Mat Coverings are coverings for mats.

The opening on the Mat Covering in drawing #13 is closed at the top with a zipper to help keep the mat enclosed inside the Mat Covering.

**Drawing of Figure 14 and Figure 14-B** of the Mat Covering is constructed the same on the front as well as the back of the invention. It is approximately 45 inches long and 22 inches wide, but can be enlarged or made smaller depending upon the size of the mat that it is covering. Mat Coverings are not limited to any particular size of mat. Mat Coverings are coverings for mats.

The opening on the Mat Covering in drawing #14 is closed at the top with elastic in the casing to help keep the mat enclosed inside the Mat Covering.

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Addendum

I am adding three drawings: Drawing #15, 15-B and Drawing #16 to my application for a patent.

**Detailed Description of the Invention (14 drawings)** The first 11 drawings were previously submitted with original patent application and one other time of submission.

**Mat Covering is a one-piece design.**

**Drawing of Figure 15 and Figure 15-B** of the Mat Covering is constructed the same on the front as well as the back of the invention. It is approximately 45 inches long and 22 inches wide, but can be enlarged or made smaller depending upon the size of the mat that it is covering. Mat Coverings are not limited to any particular size of mat. Mat Coverings are coverings for mats.

The opening on the Mat Covering in drawing #15 and 15-B is left open at the top, but it has a band on it for a clean finish. The added length of the band onto the Mat Mate helps to keep the mat enclosed inside the Mat Covering.

**Drawing of Figure 16** of the Mat Covering is constructed the same on the front as well as the back of the invention, except it is constructed from knit fabric and gives a snug fit on the mat. It is approximately 45 inches long and 22 inches wide, but can be enlarged or made smaller depending upon the size of the mat that it is covering. Mat Coverings are not limited to any particular size of mat. Mat Coverings are coverings for mats.

The opening on the Mat Covering in drawing #15 and 15-B is left open at the top, but it has a band constructed of the same knit fabric but cut narrower than the actual Mat Mate so that it can fit snugly at the opening of the Mat Mate and still have a clean finish. The added length of the band onto the Mat Mate helps to keep the mat enclosed inside the Mat Covering.